

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, Robert Reed and Emma Leanne Epperson will joyfully celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary at their home in Fulton on Friday, May 14, 2004; and

Whereas, on May 14, 1954, Robert Epperson took the lovely hand of the former Emma Thomas as the two pledged their troth during a wonderful ceremony which was performed in the home of the bride's parents; and

Whereas, the marriage of Robert and Emma Epperson has been truly blessed with the love and affection of their three children, James R. Epperson, who is married to Nina; Alan D. Epperson, who is married to Rhonda; and Robin G. Werder, who is the wife of Steven; and

Whereas, Robert and Emma Epperson also rejoice in their relationship with eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Robert Epperson provided for his growing family through his work with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, from which he retired after thirty-three years as an I&R Technician; and

Whereas, Robert Epperson also served two years in the United States Army during the Korean War and twelve years in the Army Reserves, activities which led to his later involvement in VFW Post 2657; and

Whereas, Emma Epperson retired from Fulton State Hospital after twenty-five years of service as the Medical Coordinator's secretary; and

Whereas, Emma Epperson derived an excellent reputation from her work with Meals on Wheels and membership at Central Christian Church and VFW Post 2657 Auxiliary; and

Whereas, in addition to his participation in Telephone Pioneers, Robert Epperson enjoys fishing, golfing, traveling, and spending time with his family, while Emma Epperson occupies herself through many of the same activities, but prefers cross stitch to golf:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, successful marriage of Robert and Emma Epperson and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining their Golden Wedding Anniversary; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Robert Reed and Emma Leanne Epperson of Fulton, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. , adopted , 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker